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**VIA CM/ECF**

The Honorable Edgardo Ramos  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square, Courtroom 619  
New York, New York 10007

Re: New York, et al. v. U.S. Department of Justice, et al., 17-cv-6471 (ER) (SDA)  
Request for Telephonic Appearance in August 21, 2018 Pre-Motion Conference  
regarding Proposed Motion for Intervention (ECF No. 40)

Dear Judge Ramos:

The Court's notice of pre-motion conference directs the counsel for all parties in this matter appear on August 21, 2018 (ECF No. 40) before your Honor. Nexus will appear in person by Michael J. Burke, Esq. and Mary Donne Peters, Esq. I write to request that Anthony F. Troy, Esq., of this firm's Virginia office, be allowed to participate telephonically. Mr. Troy's motion to be admitted Pro Hac Vice is currently pending.

If the Court permits counsel for Co-Plaintiffs Connecticut, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Washington, Massachusetts, and Virginia to appear telephonically, we request that the Court set up a conference call line for the August 21<sup>st</sup> hearing, and to provide call-in instructions to those appearing by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

**/s/Michael J. Burke**

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